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NGA Issues Update of Basic Doctrine Publication

The National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) recently released an updated version of a key publication that explains what geospatial intelligence—or GEOINT—is, how it has evolved and how it contributes to our nation's security.

The publication, titled the National System for Geospatial-Intelligence (NSG) Geospatial Intelligence (GEOINT) Basic Doctrine Publication 1-0, is an update to the first basic doctrine published in 2004. Importantly, the document reflects recent organization and policy changes in the intelligence community (IC).

An example of new information in the publication is the addition of a chapter on the NSG that discusses the roles and responsibilities of NGA and a description of NSG members and partners.

NGA Director Navy Vice Admiral Robert B. Murrett issued this publication in his role as functional manager of the NSG. Said Murrett, "This update of Basic Doctrine 1-0 is important because it provides in a reader-friendly manner a current, comprehensive description of GEOINT, including its products, services and capabilities. The power GEOINT can provide to warfighters and policymakers is enormous and this publication aims to portray how we can better collaborate with our partners across the IC to maximize the potential of GEOINT support."

The NSG GEOINT Basic Doctrine 1-0 is the first of a series of forthcoming NSG doctrine publications to address operational and organization aspects of GEOINT and the NSG. It can be downloaded from the NGA public web site at <http://www.nga.mil>.

NGA is a Department of Defense combat support agency and a member of the National Intelligence Community. Its mission is to provide timely, relevant and accurate geospatial intelligence in support of our national security. Geospatial intelligence is the exploitation and analysis of imagery and geospatial information to describe, assess, and visually depict physical features and geographically referenced activities on the Earth. Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., NGA has major facilities in the greater Washington, D.C., and St. Louis, Mo., areas with NGA support teams worldwide.

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